

LAPWAI SCHOOL DISTRICT #341

School Board Minutes

Regular Meeting

March 20, 2023

The Board of Trustees of School District #341 met in regular session in the Board Room of the District Office. Board Chair Samuels-Allen called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. The Board then led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call was made, present were Trustees Samuels-Allen, Garcia, and Johnson. Trustee Spaulding was absent. Trustee Kipp was absent until 5:04 pm. Also attending was Superintendent Aiken and Clerk Weeks. There were up to eight people in the audience.

Trustee Garcia moved and Trustee Johnson seconded that the consent agenda be approved as presented. The consent agenda included meeting minutes, payment of bills as presented, budget report, balance sheet, and ASB accounts. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Principal Penney introduced the two students recognized to be at the top of their graduating class, Soa Moliga as Valedictorian, and Rainbow Henry as Salutatorian. Each talked of their college plans.

Russell "Rusty" George with the Nez Perce Tribe Youth Diversion Program gave a short talk. He described the grant that was awarded and how they will be able to help members of the community, whether a tribal member or not.

Iris Chimburas, Director of Indian Education at Lapwai High School presented on what is available through her department. She talked about the grants and activities that are underway.

Elementary Principal Wagner celebrated Kindergarten reading data from iStation. The level of students reading at grade level as well as phonemic awareness has grown dramatically this school year.

Trustee Garcia then left the meeting at 5:57pm.

Principal Penney talked about progress with school improvement and spring sports that are underway.

Superintendent Aiken highlighted that he was elected to the Idaho State Indian Education Committee and will be attending quarterly meetings.

The following Action Items were presented to the board.

- Emergency Closure due to Snow- 2/22/2023
- 2023-2024 School Calendar
- Valedictorian, Soa Moliga and Salutatorian, Rainbow Henry
- Purchase of Replacement Vehicle and Surplus 2004 Nissan for Maintenance

After discussion on each item, Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Johnson seconded to approve the Action Items as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The following personnel action items were presented to the board.

- Resignation – Middle School Assistant Track Coach – Lori Lynn Parrish
- New Hire – Assistant Middle School Track Coach – Heath Hewett
and Ashlee Grunenfelder
- Volunteer – Middle High School – Russell George

Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Kipp seconded to approve the personnel items as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

The Board Training topic was a review of the Third Millennium Curriculum, what was available and how to do it.

Trustee Kipp moved and Trustee Johnson seconded to adjourn. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

Board Chair Samuels-Allen declared the meeting adjourned at 6:57 pm.

for Lori Johnson
Board Chair

Nathan Weeks
Clerk

4-17-23
Date